

AGENDA

SUNNYVALE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

December 15, 2005

6:30 P.M.

WEST CONFERENCE ROOM

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

Public Safety Officer Hern will be available to discuss details of the current reporting mechanism for aggressive driving or violations that were not seen by a police officer.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for announcements of related Board/Commission events, programs, resignations, recognitions, acknowledgments)

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1.A) Approval of Draft Minutes from November 17, 2005
- 1.B) Approval of Agenda
- 1.C) Approval of 2005 Calendar
- 1.D) Approval of Items on Active Items List

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

This category is limited to 15 minutes, with a maximum of three minutes per speaker. If your subject is not on the agenda, you will be recognized at this time; but the Brown Act (Open Meeting Law) does not allow action by Board or Commission Members. If you wish to speak to a subject listed on the agenda, you will be recognized at the time the item is being considered by the Board or Commission.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2. MOTION

Adoption of 2006 Work Plan

DISCUSS

Street Smarts booklet - Proposed revisions

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

- BPAC ORAL COMMENTS
- STAFF ORAL COMMENTS

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

- Approved October 13, 2005 Meeting Minutes
- 2. BPAC Active Items Report
- 3. BPAC Email

ADJOURNMENT

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Public Announcements – Beginning of Meeting

- 3 minutes or less per speaker.
- Speakers are requested to give their name (address is optional).
- Recognition of a special achievement.
- Announcement of public event with definite time and date.
- Public events that are of Board/Commission interest that occur in the City annually. (Only announce one time for the year).

<u>Public Hearings – Order of Hearing as Follows:</u>

- Opening remarks by the applicant (if applicable).
- Speakers are requested to give their name (address is optional).
- Anyone interested in addressing the Council (may only speak one time).
- Closing remarks by the applicant (if applicable).
- Time limit of 3 minutes per person (to be extended at discretion of Chair).
 Please make comments brief and be prepared to provide new input.

Citizens to be Heard

- Any item relevant to the Board and/or Commission
- Speakers are requested to give their name (address is optional).
- Items not on the agenda.
- Items that do not fall within the scope of the Public Announcement section.
- Time limit of 3 minutes, 15 minutes total for this category (to be extended or continued to end of Board/Commission business, at the discretion of the Chair). Limit to one appearance during this section.

If you wish to provide the Board/Commission with copies of any handout materials you are presenting, please provide sufficient copies for each Board/Commission member, the Recording Secretary and other staff present.

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Sunnyvale Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee December 15, 2005 Staff Reports

Consent Calendar Items

1.A) Draft Minutes from November 17, 2005 Attached (Attachment 1).

1.C) 2005 Calendar Attached (Attachment 2).

1.D) Approval of Items on Active Items List Attached (Attachment 6).

Public Hearings/General Business

2. Adoption of 2006 Work Plan

Staff has prepared a draft 2006 Work Plan for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee's review and approval (Attachment 3). The plan includes ongoing items, offers opportunities to comment on grant applications, and will incorporate review of study issues if appropriate. The Work Program is not a static agenda; additional items are added throughout the year as necessary.

Recommended Action and Alternatives

- 1. Approve 2006 Work Plan as submitted
- 2. Approve 2006 Work Plan with modifications

Staff recommends Alternative 1, Approval of 2006 Work Plan as submitted.

3. Street Smarts Booklet – Recommended Revisions

At the November 17, 2005 BPAC meeting, the committee requested that staff propose revisions to the language that is currently preventing the Department of Public Safety from distributing the booklets. The recommended revisions are proposed in Attachment 4. If this language is acceptable to the committee, staff asks that the Chair submit the proposed revisions to the booklet author, John S. Allen, to be changed the next time the City has the booklets printed in the future.

Recommended Action and Alternatives

No action necessary. This item is for discussion only.

Information Only Items

- 1. Approved October 13, 2005 Meeting Minutes Attached (Attachment 5).
- 2. BPAC Active Items Report Attached (Attachment 6).
- 3. BPAC Email Attached (Attachment 7).



MINUTES

SUNNYVALE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on November 17, 2005 with Committee Chair Mayer presiding. The meeting was held in the West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kevin Jackson

Thomas Mayer Ralph Durham Thomas Reuner Gerald Gras

Andrea Stawitcke

Members Absent: Cindy Cotton, Unexcused

Staff Present:

Dieckmann Cogill, Transportation Planner

Tracy Hern, Public Safety Rick Sautter, Public Safety

Visitors:

Arthur Schwartz

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

Officer Hern introduced himself and Officer Sautter as possible new DPS liaisons to the BPAC. He also discussed a recent collision at El Camino and Sunnyvale Ave.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 1.A) Approval of Draft Minutes from October 13, 2005
- 1.B) Approval of Agenda
- 1.C) Approval of 2005 Calendar
- 1.D) Approval of Items on Active Items List

Jackson moved and Durham seconded, approval of the Consent Calendar The motion carried unanimously

Jackson requested a number of wording changes to the October minutes and updates of the action items list.

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

2. Use of Bicycling Street Smarts Booklet

Cogill and Hern presented staff report.

The Committee clarified which passages were unacceptable with the Department of Public Safety.

Staff will attempt to reword the passages in question and present the wording changes to the booklet author for revision.

No action necessary

3. Intersection Enhancement Consideration – Preventing the "Right-Hook".

Cogill presented the staff report.

The Committee agreed that the treatments were not noticeable. However, they believe that this issue is an important one for Sunnyvale and asked that staff continue to develop an appropriate solution.

No action necessary

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

BPAC ORAL COMMENTS

Jackson reported that the VTA BPAC is still working with County staff regarding an appropriate bicycle and pedestrian policy on Freeways. He said that the VTA BPAC believes the codes enacted as part of SB1233 should be repealed.

Jackson requested that the curbs adjacent to the access paths should have curb-cuts and should have red curbs painted for no parking. He also reported that the red curb at the Washington/Dana island needs to be repainted and possibly install a no parking sign. He also reported that there needs to be additional reflective material on the Blair/Bernardo bulb-out. He also reported that the Borregas Bridges Meeting was very successful.

Reuner also stated that the meeting was successful.

Mayer requested that the City include the path from Alturas to Columbia Middle School on the map. Mayer also discussed the reasons why the VTA BPAC recommended against the City of Sunnyvale Deficiency Plan.

 STAFF ORAL COMMENTS None

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

The BPAC requested that no additional sidewalks surrounding the mall be closed.

ADJOURNMENT

Durham moved, and Jackson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dieckmann Cogill, Transportation Planner

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS CALENDAR

Board or Commission

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Calendar Year

2005

List all significant agenda items below. Include all pertinent items from the Council Study Issues Calendar.

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM/ISSUE			
January 20	Utility Bill Stuffer Concepts Pedestrian Safety and Opportunities Study - Existing conditions			
February 17	2005 AC Overlay/Reconstruction List (info only) 2005 Curb Ramp Installation List (info only) Bike to Work Day Planning Health and Safety Fair Bicycle Parking location review – Classics Communities Bike Map Scope Revision			
March 17	Bike to Work Day Planning Health and Safety Fair Wolfe Road Bicycle Facility Project			
April 21	Bike to Work Day Planning Pedestrian Safety and Opportunities Study Frances Street Transit Center Bike Map Revision 05/06 TDA Allocation			
May 19	Review of 05/06 Proposed Budget TFCA Regional Fund Bike to Work Day debrief			
June 16	Discussion with Mayor Chu, Vice Mayor Swegles and City Manager Chan Funding Prioritization Bike Map Update - Approval of text/info for the back-side of the Map			
July 21	Election of Officers Review Code of Ethics and Parliamentary Procedures Final Bicycle and Pedestrian Collision Analysis			
August 18	Study & Budget Issue Development Budget Training Sharrow Study Results Bike Plan Update Scope of Work Bike Map Update – Bicycle Suitability Ratings			
September 15	Study & Budget Issue Development Bike Map Update - Recommendation			

October 13	Study & Budget Issue Preparation Bicycle Map Update
November 17	Street Smart Booklet Distribution
November 17	
	Right-Turn Study
December 15	2006 Work Plan
	Bicycling Street Smarts Handout – Revisions

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Board or Commission	Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee	
Calendar Year	2006	

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Study Issues Calendar.

MEETING DATE	AGENDA ITEM/ISSUE			
January 26	Utility Bill Stuffer Concepts			
**(note date change)	Bike Plan Update			
February 16	2005 AC Overlay/Reconstruction List (info only)			
	2005 Curb Ramp Installation List (info only)			
	Bike to Work Day Planning			
+	Health and Safety Fair			
	Pedestrian Safety and Opportunities Study			
	Bike Plan Update			
March 16	Bike to Work Day Planning			
	Health and Safety Fair			
	Bike Plan Update			
April 20	Bike to Work Day Planning			
	05/06 TDA Allocation			
May 18	Review of 05/06 Proposed Budget			
	TFCA Regional Fund			
	Bike to Work Day debrief			
	Bike Plan Update			
June 15	Discussion with Mayor			
	Funding Prioritization			
July 20	Election of Officers			
	Review Code of Ethics and Parliamentary Procedures			
	Study & Budget Issue Development			
August 17	Study & Budget Issue Development			
September 21	Study & Budget Issue Preparation			
October 19	Pedestrian Safety and Opportunities Study			
November 16				
December 21	2006 Work Plan			
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Attachment 4
Street Smarts Booklet -Proposed Revisions

Chapter 9 - Ways to Deal with Tough Situations

WHEN TRAFFIC LIGHTS DON'T TURN Page 40

Always stop and wait for red lights. You not only ensure your safety, but you also increase respect for cyclists as law-abiding road users.

But some traffic lights don't turn green until they receive a signal from a metal detector buried in the pavement. Some of these detectors do not respond to bicycles.

You can recognize the detector by a square or octagonal pattern of thin lines in the pavement, where slots were cut for the detecting wires. The detector is most sensitive if you ride along one of the wires. (Sometimes, the slots for the wires are not visible, as the street has been repaved since they were installed).

If your bicycle doesn't trip the detector, you have to wait for a car to do it. You could also make two right-turns to get through the intersection legally, or cross as a pedestrian.

Detectors that work for bicycles are available at little or no additional cost. Design guidelines exist for these detectors. If you want to promote better conditions for bicycling, alert your government officials about road conditions of any type that are unsafe for bicycling. Let them know that they are responsible to make the roadways as safe as possible for all types of vehicles, and that accommodation of bicycles is important to you. Getting involved at the local level can be very effective.

DEALING WITH RUDE DRIVERS Page 43

Some drivers try to cut across in front of you. They inch out from a driveway or stop sign and treat you as if you have no right to the road. In these situations, remember the riding skills discussed in Chapters 2-6. Ride confidently and predictably and be prepared to stop if absolutely necessary for your safety.

IN THE EVENT OF A CRASH Page 44

After any fall or crash, seek appropriate medical attention, and before your next ride, have a qualified mechanic check that your bicycle is in safe working order.

Deleted:, or else you have to go through the red light.

Deleted: Going through the red isn't against the law, because the light is defective. If you ever have a crash or get a traffic ticket because a traffic light won't turn green, it's the fault of whoever installed the detector.¶

Deleted: These drivers seem more dangerous than they actually are. Most drivers who play these tricks are only trying to bluff you. They inch forward with one foot on the gas pedal and the other on the brake pedal, waiting to see whether you'll stop.¶

"Giving in to this bullying will slow you down and leave your self-esteem in shambles. Stand up for your rights. Don't let rude drivers spoil your trip. Outbluff them. Here's how.¶

With a little experience, and after learning the emergency braking techniques in this booklet, you'll have a good idea of your bike's stopping distance in any situation.¶

You outbluff a driver by making it clear that you don't intend to stop. Continue to move forward - and keep pedaling, since your turning pedals are a clear signal to the driver. Meanwhile, figure out when you'll have to hit the brakes, in case the driver pulls out in front of you anyway.

In 999 cases out of 1000, the driver will stop and wait for you before you have to brake. Move on past the car. In the odd case that the driver doesn't stop, you'll be prepared to brake in time.¶

The real danger at intersections is from drivers who run stop signs or red lights without even slowing down, or who stop and then start again without looking. But these drivers are rare; crashes tend to deplete their numbers

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Most bicycle crashes don't involve other people, and can be prevented by good bicycle handling techniques. These crashes typically result from the bicyclist's losing control on a bad surface or hitting a fixed object (see Moritz, William, Adult Bicyclists in the United States - Characteristics and Riding Experience, Transportation Research Board, 1998). But if you are in a crash involving another person, first get appropriate medical attention for all parties. Gather as much information at the scene as possible including the other parties' names, addresses and insurance information. Keep in mind that you may not discover an injury, or damage to your bike, until later. Seek the advice of an attorney, especially if there is any dispute as to who was at fault. Always be sure to provide the police with your version of what happened and with as much information as possible.

Deleted: Be wary - many people including police officers and insurance officials do not understand bicyclists' rights to the road and this may cause them to have a bias against you. For this reason, do not apologize or say anything that could be interpreted as an admission of fault and do not say that you are not hurt - you may not realize that you are injured until later. If the investigating officer takes a driver's version of what happened and it differs from yours, politely insist that the police officer also record your version



MINUTES

SUNNYVALE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on October 13, 2005 with Committee Chair Mayer presiding. The meeting was held in the South Annex Conference Room, City Hall, 456 West Olive Avenue, Sunnyvale.

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Kevin Jackson

Cindy Cotton
Thomas Mayer
Ralph Durham
Thomas Reuner
Gerald Gras
Andrea Stawitcke

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dieckmann Cogill, Transportation Planner

Lt. Chris Carrion, Public Safety

Visitors: Arthur Schwartz, Patrick Grant, Ross Heitkamp

SCHEDULED PRESENTATION

Lt. Carrion discussed recent collisions involving bicyclists and pedestrians in Sunnyvale, as well as the most recent Operation Safe Passage. He also discussed the tools available to enforce any issues that could come up on a bicycle/pedestrian overpass.

Mayer requested that Lt. Carrion coordinate with DOTT staff regarding the distribution of the Street Smarts bicycling guide.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jackson announced the Borregas Bike/Ped Bridges public meeting in November.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Jackson moved and Durham seconded, approval of the Consent Calendar The motion carried unanimously

CITIZENS TO BE HEARD

Schwartz noted that the sidewalk on Mathilda is closed on Mathilda adjacent to the Mall.

Mayer requested that staff bring information regarding the sidewalk closures to the BPAC.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/GENERAL BUSINESS

Jackson requested that item 3 be taken first. Chair agreed.

3. Bicycle Map Revision Recommendation

Cogill presented staff report and asked for the Committee to make a recommendation to Council regarding the revised Bicycle Map.

Mayer moved and Jackson seconded, BPAC recommends approval of the Bicycle Map in substantially the same form as presented, with factual errors and BPACs input reconciled/corrected before final printing.

The motion carried unanimously.

The committee made the following comments:

Text side of the map -

- 1. Add information regarding the "right hook" and "left hook"
- 2. Remove pictures of people without helmets.
- 3. Don't include the bicycle painting.
- 4. Consider using different pictures

Map Side

- 1. Some members would prefer the same color scheme and symbols as the previous map
- 2. There were a number of factual errors listed.
- 3. Make the map readable for older people with bad eye sight and in bad lighting. Readability should be the highest priority.
- 4. Some members would prefer black streets on a white background.

2. Study and Budget Issue Development

Cogill presented the staff report and asked the committee to vote on and rank the BPAC initiated study issues.

The Committee voted to include the following issues. They are listed in the order in which they were ranked.

- 1. Access to Stevens Creek Trail, Feasibility Study
- 2. Plan Line Study to Accommodate Bicyclists and Pedestrians
- 3. Policy for Allocation of Street Space
- 4. Revise Level of Service Policy to Incorporate Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety

NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND COMMENTS

BPAC ORAL COMMENTS

Jackson asked that the Blair Avenue Traffic Calming after study be brought to BPAC for a recommendation to City Council. He also reminded members of the committee to look at the experimental Right turn signs. In addition he asked staff to keep BPAC informed on the County Pedestrian and Bike Policy changes and asked that staff email the committee staff's comments.

Cotton requested map of bike/ped collisions and location of reported crimes.

STAFF ORAL COMMENTS

Staff informed the committee that there has been a change in the way agendas will be posted.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Cotton moved, and Stawitke seconded, to adjourn the meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dieckmann Cogill, Transportation Planner



Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Active Items

1 Washingt Widening 2 Street Cu 3 Borregas Corridor S	Washington Avenue	,			Last
1 Was Wide 2 Stree 3 Borr Corr	hington Avenue		(Approx)		Updated
2 Stree 3 Borr Corr	ening	Kadkhodaya n	On hold	Project on hold.	6/10/2002
3 Born Corr	2 Street Cut Fee	Hopkins	On hold	This is being investigated on a county and regional level. There are large scale legal issues that have resulted in Restraining Orders against the Cities and Counties that had adopted ordinances. Santa Clara County is the lead agency for this area and is taking no action at this time. We will update the BPAC when the legal issues have been resolved.	1/9/2003
	3 Borregas Avenue Bike Cogill Corridor Study	Cogill	2009	2009 Public meeting held 11/15/05. City Council Approval of CEQA document scheduled for April 2006. Construction scheduled to start 2007.	11/8/2005
4 Berr Und	4 Bernardo Caltrain Under-crossing	Cogill	Preliminary lengineering by 2005	Feasibility Study accepted by the City Council. Funds for 20% local matching funds must be identified before further project initiation. BEP Tier 1 update submitted. VTA will program 80% funds out to 2016 to allow for time to secure matching funds.	10/14/2004
5 Cale	5 Calabazas Creek Trail Neumaye	Neumayer	Fall 2005 (Phase 1)	Under Construction - Bridge in place, path paved	11/8/2005
6 Evely Lane	n Avenue Bike	Cogill	Summer 2006	Final plans complete. Bidding process underway. All bids rejected. To be rebid along with phase 2.	12/6/2005
9 Cod	9 Code of Ethics	Cogill	7/1/2005	7/1/2005 Annual review to occur at July 2006 meeting	11/8/2005
10 Utilit	10 Utility Bill Stuffer	Cogill	Mar-06	Mar-06 To be in the May/June Stuffer	11/8/2005

11/8/2005	2/9/2005	2/9/2005		6/30/2005	12/6/2005	12/6/2005		ile 6/30/2005	8/15/2003
5/1/2004 This item will be on the November agenda.	5/1/2005 To be held in May 19, 2005	Info Only Item, February 2005		begin planning phase	Staff submitted grant application for Borregas Avenue Bike/Ped Bridges. If grant is awarded, the funding would count towards the City's matching funds for the BEP funding	Funds to be used for safety/helmet education training at 2 middle schools in Sunnyvale	Grant applications submitted for Duane Avenue from Fair Oaks to Lawrence, Borregas Avenue from Weddell to Caribbean, and Evelyn Avenue from Sunnyvale to Reed.	Application submitted for matching funds for Evelyn Avenue Bicycle Lane: phase 2	Rack provided to Camino Medical Group
5/1/200	5/1/2005	Feb. 2005		Summer 2006	Annual	Ongoing	Ongoing	Annual	Ongoing
Cogill	Cogill	D. Trott		D. Cogill	Cogill	Cogill	Cogill	Cogill	Cogill
11 Right-turn Study	12 Bike to Work Day	13 Overlay, Reconstruction, Slurry & Chip Schedule	14 Calabazas Creek Trail Phase II	15 Evelyn Avenue Bike Lane (Sunnyvale to Reed)	Bike Transportation Account Grant Program	General Supply Expenditures	Bicycle Capital Improvement Program	TFCA grants	Bike Parking Incentive Program
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8/12/2005	12/6/2005
none	1.)Email PS representative contact. Done 2.)Add Alturas path to the access path map. Too late for bike map, but will be listed to be included in any updates. 3.)Reflective material on west bound blair at bernardo curb extension. Done 4.) email term limit information. Done. 5.)Red curb Dana at Washington cut-through. Done.
Ongoing	Ongoing
Cogill	Cogill
Construction Zone Safety Complaints received	Issues raised at BPAC Cogill meeting requiring staff follow-up
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ATTACHMENT

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Subject:

Web Contact - Reply: N, Subject: Thanks for fixing Danforth bike sensor!

Name = George Bell Email = gbell2@sonic.net ReplyRequested = N Subject = Thanks for fixing Danforth bike sensor! Message = Public Works Department,

Thank you for fixing the traffic sensors on Danforth at Hollenbeck; they now sense a bicycle in both the east and west directions!

Since I pass through that intersection in both directions about 10 times per week, it is really great to have the light respond to my bike.

Sunnyvale is a bike friendly city, and I really appreciate your efforts to make it so.

Thank you for all you do!

George Bell 777 Hollenbeck #22 Sunnyvale, CA

CC: <webmaster@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>, <hkwan@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>, <jtest@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>

BPAC DPW - Bike Registration

From: "Sandy Butler" <sbutler@quinstreet.com>

To: <bpec@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>

Date: 11/21/2005 9:02 AM **Subject:** Bike Registration

Hello

I just purchased a new bike and wanted to know what I need to do to register it in the City of Sunnyvale. I looked in the National Bike Registry but Sunnyvale is not listed as a participating city. As a Sunnyvale resident should I register my bike at a different location?

Sandy Butler Business Development Tel: (650) 578-7664

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BPAC DPW - Light Sensors & Street Markings

From: Thomas Granvold <tgranvold@gmail.com>

Date: 11/16/2005 8:16 PM

Subject: Light Sensors & Street Markings

First, the light sensor that I've found don't detect my bicycle.

- Eastbound Maude at Borreages in the left turn lane.

Second, why is the sensor for bicycles on northbound Wolf at Aqrues for left turns in the leftmost of the two left turn lanes. That puts the bicyclist to the left of cars turning left, assuming there is a car there. Then once the turn in completed the bike will want to move right across the path of the car. Not the safest situation.

Third, ever since the bicycle signal button has been removed on Evelyn at Fair Oaks, it is hard to know where to position a bicycle in order to trip the signal. A marking is needed in the lane to indicate the position. By the way, it is on the left side of the loop in the right lane.

Can a marking be put there? There are are other locations that can also using these markings. Some never had a marking and others where the marking has almost been completly worn away.

Sincerly, Tom Granvold

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From:

Fred Wiesinger <freder@gmail.com>

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Dieckmann Cogill <dcogill@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>, <bpac@ci.sunnyvale.ca.us>, Thomas

Mayer <thom94089@pacbell.net>, <thommayer@aol.com>, Kevin Jackson <kjbiker@netzero.net>

Date:

Fri, Nov 11, 2005 11:52 AM

Subject:

bike lane on Arquez

Hi Dieckmann

The construction project (townhomes) on Arquez just east of Fair Oaks (where the off ramp from central hits Arquez) seems like it's at the point where the city ought to get the contractor to move his trailer out of the bike lane so it can be reopened. I'm disappointed that the city gave the contractor the right to close that section of bike lane just to place a trailer on the street, but that's water under the proverbial bridge now. Can you work to get the inspectors to try to have this bike lane reopened asap? It's gone past the point of reasonable accomodation of the contractors needs.

Thanks,

-Fred

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